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1. An improved telescoping stun gun comprising:
  - a. a handle comprising a power source electrically connected to a voltage step-up circuit having an output of stepped-up voltage relative to the power source;
  - 5 b. a first tube section having a base section and a distal end, said base section being connected to the handle;
  - c. at least one additional tube section having a proximal end and a distal end and being disposed within the first tube section, and having a connection means to connect to the first tube section, said distal end comprising an conductive probe
  - 10 electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit, said probe for delivering a high-voltage shock;
  - d. deployment means to extend said at least one additional tube section from its position as being disposed within the first tube section to an extended position whereby the connection means connects the distal end of the first tube section to the
  - 15 proximal end of the at least one additional tube section.
2. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 1 wherein the outer diameter of the proximal end of the at least one additional tube section is slightly smaller in diameter than the inner diameter of the distal end of the first tube section.
- 20 3. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 1 wherein the first tube section is tapered along its entire length, the large end of the taper being at the base of the first tube section.

4. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 1 wherein both the first tube section and the at least one additional tube section are tapered whereby the outer diameter of the proximal end of the at least one additional tube section is slightly smaller in diameter than the inner diameter of the distal end of the first tube section.
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5. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 1 further comprising a first conductive lead electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit, said conductive lead placed along the length of the exterior of the first tube section.
6. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 5 further comprising a second conductive lead electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit, said conductive lead being placed along the length of exterior of the at least one additional tube section.
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7. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 5 wherein the conductive probe is electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit through the first conductive lead.
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8. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 1 wherein the conductive probe is electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit through one or more wires contained internally within the first tube section and the at least one additional tube section.
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9. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 1 wherein the conductive probe extends from the distal end of the at least one additional tube section.

10. An improved telescoping stun gun comprising:

a. a first tube section having a base section and a distal end, said first tube section comprising a power source electrically connected to a voltage step-up circuit having an output of stepped-up voltage relative to the power source;

5 b. at least one additional tube section having a proximal end and a distal end and being disposed within the first tube section, and having a connection means to connect to the first tube section, said distal end comprising an conductive probe electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit, said probe for delivering a high-voltage shock;

10 d. deployment means to extend said at least one additional tube section from its position as being disposed within the first tube section to an extended position whereby the connection means connects the distal end of the first tube section to the proximal end of the at least one additional tube section.

11. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 10 further comprising a first  
15 conductive lead electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit, said conductive lead placed along the length of the exterior of the first tube section.

12. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 11 further comprising a second  
conductive lead electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit, said  
conductive lead being placed along the length of exterior of the at least one  
20 additional tube section.

13. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 11 wherein the conductive probe is electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit through the first conductive lead.

14. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 10 wherein the outer diameter of the proximal end of the at least one additional tube section is slightly smaller in diameter than the inner diameter of the distal end of the first tube section.
- 5 15. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 10 wherein the first tube section is tapered along its entire length, the large end of the taper being at the base of the first tube section.
- 10 16. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 10 wherein both the first tube section and the at least one additional tube section are tapered whereby the outer diameter of the proximal end of the at least one additional tube section is slightly smaller in diameter than the inner diameter of the distal end of the first tube section.
- 15 17. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 10 wherein the conductive probe is electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit through one or more wires contained internally within the first tube section and the at least one additional tube section.
18. The improved telescoping stun gun of claim 10 wherein the conductive probe extends from the distal end of the at least one additional tube section.
19. An improved telescoping stun gun comprising:
- a. a first tube section having a base section and a distal end;
  - 20 b. at least one additional tube section having a proximal end and a distal end and being disposed within the first tube section, and having a connection means to connect to the first tube section, said at least one additional tube section comprising a power source electrically connected to a voltage step-up circuit having an output of

stepped-up voltage relative to the power source, said distal end comprising an conductive probe electrically connected to the output of the step-up circuit, said probe for delivering a high-voltage shock;

- d. deployment means to extend said at least one additional tube section from  
5 its position as being disposed within the first tube section to an extended position  
whereby the connection means connects the distal end of the first tube section to the proximal end of the at least one additional tube section.